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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD**

Notice is hereby given to Members of the Arizona State Parks Board (Board) and the general public that the Board will hold a meeting, open to the public on **Thursday, October 16, 2003, at 9:00 a.m.** pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02 and A.R.S. § 41-511.01 *et. seq.* at Cochise College, located at **1025 State Route 90, Benson, AZ.** **The Board may elect to hold an Executive Session for any agenda item at any time during the meeting to discuss or consult with its legal counsel for legal advice on matters listed on this agenda pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A) (3). Items on the Agenda may be discussed out of order, unless they have been specifically noted to be set for a time certain.** Public comment will be taken. The Board will discuss and may take action on the following matters.

AGENDA

(The order of the agenda may be changed to accommodate public comment)

- A. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - 9:00 AM**
- B. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**
- C. PUBLIC COMMENT** - Consideration and discussion of comments and complaints from the public. Those wishing to address the Board must register at the door and be recognized by the Chair. Time permitting, each presentation will be given approximately five minutes. It is probable that each presentation will be limited to one person per organization. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study or reschedule the matter for further consideration at a later time.
- D. CONSENT AGENDA** - The following items of a noncontroversial nature have been grouped together for a single vote without Board discussion. The Consent Agenda is a timesaving device and Board members received documentation on these items for their review prior to the open meeting. Any Board member may remove any item from the Consent Agenda for discussion and a separate vote at this meeting as deemed necessary. The public may view the documentation relating to the Consent Agenda at the Board's office, 1300 W. Washington, Suite 104, Phoenix, Arizona.
 - 1. Approve Minutes of September 18, 2003 State Parks Board Meeting.**
 - 2. Approve Executive Session Minutes of September 18, 2003 State Parks Board Meeting**
 - 3. Consider Extending the Project End Date for Local, Regional, and State Parks (LRSP) Project #659904 – Multi-Purpose Recreation Facility** – Staff recommends extending the project end date by 12 months to October 15, 2004 for LRSP Heritage Fund Project #659904 - Multi-Purpose Recreation Facility. If the Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC) does not reach unanimous concurrence on this item at its October 9th meeting, it will be removed from the Parks Board consent agenda.
- E. DIRECTOR'S REPORT** - The Director, Board and staff will discuss and the Board may take action on the following: (some of these reports may be verbal)
 - 1. Big Room Opening Update**

- F. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - The Board and staff will discuss and the Board may take action on the following:** (some of these reports may be verbal)
- 1. Section report – Budget Update**
- G. PARTNERSHIPS AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS - The Board and staff will discuss and the Board may take action on the following:** (some of these reports may be verbal)
- 1. Section report – Potential Legislation for 2004 Session, which may include:**
Spur Cross, Archeology on Private Land, Archeology Advisory Commission Continuation, OHV Sticker Program, Non-Appropriated Fund for State Parks, Income Tax Check-Off for State Parks; Summary of the 2003 Arizona Watercraft Survey; National Register Report
 - 2. Board Actions**
 - a. Consider amending the Scope of Work for Lake Havasu City State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) Grant #780121 for London Bridge Beach Acquisition –** Staff does not recommend amending the scope of work for SLIF grant #780121 for the Lake Havasu City London Bridge Beach Acquisition project.
- H. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Upon a public majority vote, the Board may hold an Executive Session, which is not open to the public for the following purposes:**
- 1. To discuss or consult with its legal counsel for legal advice on matters listed on this agenda pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(3)**
 - a. Mabery Easement Dispute Litigation**
 - b. Whetstone Springs Condemnation**
 - 2. To discuss or consult with its legal counsel in order to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding the Board's position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(4)**
 - a. Mabery Easement Dispute Litigation**
 - b. Whetstone Springs Condemnation**
 - 3. To discuss or consult with designated representatives of the Board in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property per A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(7)**
 - a. Mabery Easement Dispute Litigation**
 - b. Whetstone Springs Condemnation**
- I. PARKS - The Board and staff will discuss and the Board may take action on the following:** (some of these reports may be verbal)
- 1. Section report – Kartchner Caverns; Sonoita Creek; Mabery Easement Dispute Litigation; Whetstone Springs Condemnation; Tubac Presidio Report; Tombstone Courthouse Report; Fee Philosophy Report; Historic**

Resources Committee Report; Hopi MOU Signing with Chairman Taylor; Kartchner Caverns 2003 Environmental and Research Report; West Nile Virus Public Information Bulletin; Watchable Wildlife Report

2. Board actions needed:

- a. **Consider recommending State Trails System Nominations** – Staff recommends the 24 trails listed in the first table for inclusion into the State Trails System. ASCOT concurred with a 16-0 vote on September 27, 2003. Staff does not recommend the 21 trails listed in the second table for inclusion into the State Trails System. ASCOT concurred with a 16-0 vote for all trails except the Oak Creek Vista Trail. ASCOT concurred that the Oak Creek Vista Trail not be recommended for inclusion in the State Trails System by a 14-2 vote on September 27, 2003.

J. BOARD COMMENTS, REQUESTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS -
The Board may discuss matters of Board procedure relative to its meetings. Board members may also wish to discuss issues of concern and direct staff to place specific items on future Board meeting agendas.

K. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING - Staff is recommending that the next meeting be scheduled for **November 20, 2003** in Rio Rico, Arizona.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Arizona State Parks does not discriminate on the basis of a disability regarding admission to public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting the ADA Coordinator, Nicole Armstrong-Best, (602) 542-7152; or TTY(602) 542-4174. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

Kenneth E. Travous, Executive Director

Miscellaneous Materials